



October 21, 2013

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library was held today at 4:00 PM at the Southeast Branch Library located at 1426 Perkiomen Ave, Reading, PA, Renee Dietrich, President, presiding.

Present: Renee Dietrich, Heather Hanna, Paul Hoh, Ryan Breisch, Ernie Schlegel, Henriette Alban, Toni Albert, Greg Knies.

Absent: Stephanie Towles, Robin Costenbader-Jacobson, Johanny Cepeda, Frank Kasprowicz, Justin Bodor, Jonathan Zeigler. All excused.

Guests: Betty O'Neil, Kate Thornton

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes made by Paul Hoh, seconded by Henriette Alban. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the August Treasurer's Report made by Ernie Schlegel, seconded by Henriette Alban. Accepted

Director's Report: Copies of the Director's Report were made available along with additional handouts. Berry O'Neil, Circulation Manager, provided a handout and gave a report regarding the Pop-Up. Staff and patron comments were mentioned. The large signs on the doors at the Main branch seemed to assist in the increase of visiting patrons.

Library Services: No Report

Facilities: Report given by Henriette Alban. The outside painting has been completed. Carpet is being installed, the Pressure washing is finished, The decking repair on the roof is also completed. The committee is looking into solar as well as gas conversion at the branches

Renovations: No Report

Finance: Report given by Greg Knies. The Finance Committee met on October 9th to discuss the budget for 2014. A finalized copy will be ready for approval by the December meeting.

Personnel: The Director's evaluation is scheduled to be completed after the PaLa conference.

Development: Report given by Kate Thornton. Currently we are on target to reach our goal of raising 100,000 in donations for RPL this year. There are no more events scheduled for 2013.

Strategic Planning: Report given by Paul Hoh. The strategic planning meeting is scheduled for November 2 and November 23rd with Tweed Weber at Alvernia's Upland Center from 830-1230. The online survey has been closed and the surveys completed on paper have been mailed to Tweed Weber.

ByLaws: Non Report

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: A nominating committee needs to be formed so suggestions for new Officers can be made for 2014. Paul Hoh offered to serve as Chairman, and Heather Hanna and Ryan Breisch agreed to serve on the committee.

Motion to adjourn by Ernie Schlegel, seconded by Heather Hanna Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Breisch
Secretary